

HOW CHINA MAY GAIN THE
CONFIDENCE OF HER
MERCHANTS.

From time immemorial, says the *Sin Wan Pao*, the Chinese merchants have been despised by their Government and, consequently, have suffered innumerable grievances at the hands of the Chinese officials with perfect silence. Since China came in contact with the foreign Powers, however, she has gradually become alive to fact that her weakness and poverty have been entirely caused by the contempt with which she regards her merchants, and has more than once embarked upon enterprises conjointly with them. But in ever undertaking in which both officials and merchants are concerned, the direction of affairs invariably rests with the former, and though agreements are often entered into, stipulating that the officials and the merchants are to be on a footing of equality as far as their rights and obligations are concerned, still the officials refuse to act upon the terms of the agreement and lord it over the merchants in every case. In fact, the relations between the officials and the merchants in any conjoint undertaking bear a very close resemblance to those between

THE LION AND THE COW, who went together hunting under a contract, as mentioned in the well-known *Aesop's Fables*. So long as the merchants are treated in this unfair manner, China cannot hope to grow powerful or wealthy. If China wants to outlive her weakness and poverty, she must contrive to gain the complete confidence of her merchants; and the easiest way to accomplish this object is to treat them fairly, that is to say, she must keep to the letter and spirit of whatever promise she has made to the merchants. This is exactly the policy pursued by all those foreign countries which are powerful and wealthy. Hence in those countries whenever the merchants are called upon to undertake any great work which the Government cannot take upon itself to do, such as the construction of railways, the exploitation of mines, etc., they always respond promptly to the call, while in China though there are very many wealthy merchants, they always take good care to avoid having anything to do with their Government.

A BAD EXAMPLE SET BY THE COURT TO
ITS OFFICIALS.

A Decree, issued by the Court on the 26th August, promotes Yao Kang-shao, a 1st Class Secretary of a certain Board, to the rank of an Expectant Tootal, who is to be given the first chance as soon as a vacancy occurs. The reason for this promotion was not expressed in the Decree, and we have been trying for a long time to find it out in vain, until now, when it is disclosed to us by our Peking correspondent and the Tientsin papers. From both these sources we learn that Yao was thus promoted because he had bought and presented to the Empress Dowager a portion of the articles looted from the Imperial Palaces by the Allied Forces, immediately after the fall of Peking in 1900. Such an act on the part of the Court at such a time as the present, must have surprised all patriotic Chinese subjects who are anxious that their Government, which is still suffering from the effects of the unprecedented calamity incurred by

THE BOXER WAR, would take every opportunity, and do the best it could, to encourage men of worthiness and

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true nobility by giving them the promotion they deserve, instead of showing any favour to flatterers who present the Court with a little present in order to get a lucrative post in return. In the present case, the Empress Dowager has conducted herself in exactly the same way as many of the high Metropolitan and Provincial officials who used to reward their subordinate officials with fat posts in return for the liberal bribes received from them. No example more corrupt or more unconstructive than this could have been set by the Court to all its public servants.—*The Universal Gazette*.

CHINESE IN COLLEGE.

TEACHING LANGUAGE AS PART OF BUSINESS
TRAINING.

The Owens College, Manchester, is making a sustained effort to impart a knowledge of written and spoken Chinese to Manchester business young men, says the *Financial*. Manchester does a very considerable trade with China, but before last year no facilities were available in that city for acquiring the language. Surprisingly few of the merchants or of the members of their staffs know anything of the language of the people to whom they export their goods.

Hitherto a very hand-to-mouth method has prevailed. A class of men exists in all the treaty ports known as "Compradores." These people act as go-betweens and translators. They are usually Chinamen, whose knowledge of English is chiefly of the

variety. By their assistance transactions are entered upon and carried out. The merchant and his customers never come into close touch. Although Chinese is a difficult language to acquire, it is not quite so hopeless as the golf loving Englishman imagines. A fair knowledge can be gained in three years by steady application.

Professor E. H. Parker, a retired Consular officer, has taught a class of some half-dozen students during the last winter at the Owens College. The progress made has been entirely satisfactory, and a second course is about to be started. It will comprise three terms, at the end of which it is expected that all

STUDENTS WHO HAVE ATTENDED REGULARLY will be able to read and write Chinese sufficiently well to pursue their studies effectively either at home or in China. During the third term the student will be engaged in completing a vocabulary or dictionary for his own use—a sufficient hint of the difficulties which differentiate the learning of this language from that of, say, French or German. After the third term the student will proceed to learn the use of the Chinese writing brush, and to converse in Pekingese and will practise the translation of trade advertisements into and out of Chinese. A rush of students is, of course, a thing that cannot reasonably be expected. But if in the course of a year or two some six or seven young Englishmen are turned out annually with a working knowledge of Chinese, ready to take up mercantile appointments and to travel into the interior of the country, the result cannot but be beneficial to the trade of Great Britain.

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THE SINGAPORE CHEQUE
FORGERY CASE.

DE LUCCHI ARRESTED AT MARSEILLES.

Alfredo de Lucchi, who mysteriously disappeared from Singapore on August 14 last, has been apprehended at Marseilles by the French Police on a charge of forgery.

De Lucchi was arrested about Monday week. He confessed to having committed the forgery to his captors. Chief Detective Inspector Perrett took passage by the B.I. Steamer *Ulm* to Penang, where he will make investigations. On the conclusion of his enquiries there he will travel by the first steamer to Marseilles, to take back the man to Singapore.

The circumstances of the case have been reported in the *Telegraph*. He arrived in Singapore from Italy on July 31 as assistant to Pertile and Co., and on August 14 he vanished. Fears of his having been lost or done away with quickly arose, but about three weeks after his disappearance it transpired that he had gone to Penang by the *Calyx* on the 14th August, and that Messrs. Pertile's cheque book had been tampered with to such purpose that \$9,300 had been wrongfully withdrawn from the firm's account with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. At Penang he changed \$8,000 into a draft on Marseilles, at the Chartered Bank.

The Singapore police telegraphed to the ports of call on the way to Europe giving information as to de Lucchi and stopping payment of the draft. The fugitive was a passenger by the N. Y. K. s.s. *Bingo Maru*, from Penang to Marseilles.

THE "TUPPENNY TUBES"
SUCCESS.23,000,000 PASSENGERS CARRIED IN THE
HALF-YEAR.

The fourteenth half-yearly general meeting of the Central London Railway Company was held at the Holborn Restaurant, Sir Henry Oakley presiding. In moving the adoption of the report the chairman said the past half-year showed some very encouraging features so far as the working of the railway and its results were concerned. Extra expenditure was being incurred in regard to the new motor-cars which they had decided to adopt with a view to avoiding any further complaint on the subject of vibration. They hoped the new motors would begin to be delivered in October. The

NUMBER OF PASSENGERS

had increased by nearly two and a half millions during the half-year, the total number carried being twenty-three millions, including nearly two and three-quarter millions of workmen, who were carried at half-fares. They had earned in the six months £185,118, or £200,000 more than in the corresponding period last year, this practically representing an increase of 7½ per cent. in their receipts. The directors hoped in the coming six months to add so sensibly to the profits that they could face the future without fear or misgiving.

In reply to a question the chairman said the directors could have recommended a larger dividend, but they deemed it wiser to wait until all the company's liabilities had been ascertained.

The report was adopted, and interim dividends declared of 4 per cent. on the undivided and the preferred ordinary stock.

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REVIVING THE DROWNED.

Among the methods of recalling to life the "apparently drowned," says the *Morning Post* of August 6, the most singular and sometimes the most successful is that of rhythmically drawing out the tongue of the subject. Dr. Laborde, of Paris, has carried out many experiments both on human beings and on animals during the last few years, and in the paper he has written on tongue traction records several cases in which when all outward signs of life had ceased there had still remained latent vitality. In order to allow this latent vitality the opportunity to develop, the respiratory organs must be set in motion, and the best means of doing this is by tongue traction. The larger number of his experiments have naturally been performed on animals, and in one case tongue traction on an asphyxiated bulldog was rewarded with success in two and a-half hours after all signs of life had ceased. Two hours of traction were productive of no result, but the extra half hour produced a slight respiratory cough, and in three hours the dog was on its legs. It occurred to Dr. Laborde that it would be a good idea to substitute an automatic apparatus for the cloth-covered hand. The first apparatus made was driven by clockwork, the improved instrument is operated by an electric motor, and by means of it the tongue can be subjected to continuous traction for three hours.

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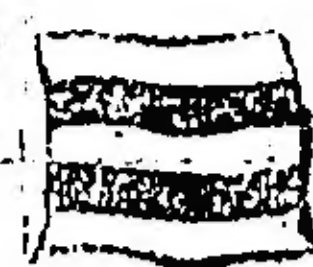
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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 5th October. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1902. [1994d]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned's Resignation was in the hands of the EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF U.S.A. last month. His connection with the Society is finally closed.
A. KIENE.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1902. [1994d]

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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's.)

Lord Roberts and "Ragging."

LONDON, September 24th.
Field Marshal Lord Roberts has issued a memorandum to all commanding officers urging the necessity of stopping "ragging," the prevalence of which is a disgrace to the Army.

President Roosevelt operated on.

President Roosevelt has undergone a slight operation at Indianapolis for an abscess which had formed between the left knee and ankle, arising from a bruise caused by the carriage accident on the 2nd instant. The President who is in excellent general health has proceeded to Washington.

—LATER.

The Boer Generals' Manifesto.

The Manifesto issued by the Boer Generals has created an unfavourable impression in Europe.

France and Siam.

The announcement that a Japanese had been appointed legal adviser to Siam has caused a great flutter in Paris, where for some time past there has been considerable apprehension regarding the effect the Anglo-Japanese alliance might exercise on Japan.

(North China Daily News.)

A Warning to Poachers.

LONDON, September 18th.
Privy Councillor Verelst, Russian Minister of Agriculture and State Domains, has notified Japanese and American poachers, that if captured on the Siberian coast they are liable to three months imprisonment and the confiscation of their vessels and cargoes.

The Trouble in Szechuan.

The following telegram has been kindly handed to us by the Rev. J. W. Stevenson, Deputy-Director of the China Inland Mission:—
SUifu, Szechuan, 19th Sept., 12.20 p.m.
The China Inland Mission premises at Mei-chou have been destroyed, but no lives have been lost. The adjoining cities of Tanlinhsien, Hungyhsien, and Kiatingfu are threatened by the Boxers. The officials of the last-named city are on the alert.

(Shanghai Mercury.)

Death of Rev. T. C. Hood.

CHANGTSE, Honan, Sept. 21st.
The Rev. T. C. Hood, Canadian Presbyterian Mission, died of cholera at Huai Ching on the 19th September.

Affairs in Siam.

FRENCH PRESS CREATING TROUBLE.
LONDON, Sept. 21st.
Notwithstanding the British denials, the French Press treat British occupation of Kelantan as a fact. The *Electric* says France will run no risk of a conflict with Great Britain, because she will give France *carte blanche* to deal with Japan, which is the real element of danger in the Siamese question.

(Shanghai Times.)

Snowfall Visits Great Britain.

LONDON, Sept. 19.
Summer weather has taken its leave without ceremony. From torrid temperature within a fortnight the change has been attended with clear skies and no noteworthy meteorological disturbances in any of the surrounding region. Within a few days, however, cold has become pronounced throughout the British Isles and to-day's official return report light snowfall in various localities.

Reaching for China Trade.

NEW YORK, September 21st.
The commercial press in weekly reviews gives attention to the outlook for China trade as deduced from statistical reports issued by the Treasury Department, which show large advances in staples and a broadening market for goods not heretofore pushed by American manufacturers. Expectation is building high for increases both in volume and variety as the result of the inspection of the China field, which is about to be undertaken by commercial experts. Reviewers agree that North China is capable of yielding much better return than ever before, since the American trade which now preponderates came in natural course and without special effort. They report manufacturers eager to recover ground in Shanghai and in other districts where inattention has involved loss of trade in the last year, and as ambitious to get a fair chance in Manchuria. While the north seems at the moment most promising, prospects are discussed also for the south, especially in sections where acquaintance with American goods should be improved by work on the Canton-Hankow railway. It is thought that the outlook will be good for reaching the heart of the Yangtze region and there competing on advantageous terms with merchants of other countries who have heretofore enjoyed trade control there.

SHAUKIWAN MURDER CASE.

PRISONERS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The three Chinamen, who were charged on remand with causing the death of another native on the 31st ultimo, were brought before Mr. Kemp this morning, to be committed for trial. Mr. Dennis (Acting Crown Solicitor) appeared to prosecute.
Dr. William Hunter deposed that the deceased was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital on the 1st inst. He detailed the wounds on the body, and said that some of them might have been done by a sharp instrument or stones. The deceased died on the following morning from collapse, partly by the loss of blood, and partly by the shocks from the injuries.
In answer to Mr. Dennis, Dr. Hunter replied there was absolutely no fracture of the skull. The wounds inflicted did not render the deceased insensible or incapable of recognizing the prisoners.
Ultimately the Magistrate committed them for trial at the next Sessions.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER.

G. Gindul.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Hongkong Football Club held their annual meeting in the Pavilion on the Cricket Ground yesterday evening. Dr. J. M. Atkinson presided, and after the minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the annual report has been in your hands now for some days, and from it you will see that last winter we had a very successful Rugby season. The same cannot quite be said of the Association section, but the amount of success that was obtained in the season's matches was to a great extent due to the clever captaincy of A. R. Lowe. (Applause.) I may say also that the success of the Rugby matches was due largely to the energy and enthusiasm of the captain of the Fifteen, J. H. T. McMurtrie. (Applause.) The Shield matches were attended by as large a number of spectators as usual and seemed as popular as ever. On one occasion it was calculated that there were as many as 5,000 spectators present. The Club unfortunately were beaten in the Shield competition and only succeeded in reaching the semi-final. New blood is evidently required, and the Secretary tells me he will be able to find some. The Club has suffered very much during the past year in the departure from the Colony of its President, the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Captain McMurtrie, and also the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Ben Johnston. As you all know, Mr. Lockhart's loss is a loss that can hardly be made good. His position as President was unique in that he was one of the original founders of the Club in 1886 and since that time, I think, he had acted either as a playing member or as an officer-bearer all the years he remained in this Colony. It is necessary for us now to proceed to the election of office-bearers—President, Rugby Captain Association Captain, Hon. Treasurer. Hon. Secretary and six members of Committee. Before doing so, the Committee will endeavour to answer any questions which members may wish to ask with reference to the report and accounts.

No questions being asked the Chairman formally moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. A. R. Lowe seconded, and the motion was unanimously agreed to.
Mr. Lowe afterwards proposed that Dr. Atkinson be elected President for the coming year. He was sure they could not get a better President, as Dr. Atkinson was always keenly interested in sport; it was only a few seasons ago that he had given up playing football, and he was still actively engaged in athletics in other ways, particularly in tennis. Dr. Atkinson was so well known to them all that it was unnecessary that he should say more. (Applause.) Mr. W. W. Clarke seconded the motion, which was carried.
The Chairman—I can only say I will do the best I can to do my duty as President. (Applause.)
Mr. E. R. Hallifax moved that Mr. W. W. Clarke be elected Captain of the Rugby Fifteen, Mr. E. M. Knox seconded, and the motion was carried.
Mr. A. R. Lowe moved that Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar be elected Captain of the Association XI. He would make the best Captain they could get. He was right in the centre of the field, had plenty of experience in the game, and could carry on the Club as well as, if not much better than, anybody else.
Mr. C. T. Kew seconded, and the motion was carried.
The Hon. Secretary proposed that H. C. Sandford be appointed Hon. Treasurer. He was unfortunately away at present and it was not quite certain that he would be willing to act. It was rather a thankless task. Mr. Ben Johnston, however, had told him he thought Mr. Sandford might not be unwilling if he were asked. The best thing they could do would be to ask him on his return to the Colony. Mr. W. W. Clarke seconded, and the motion was carried.
The Chairman—I presume the Hon. Secretary will be re-elected. (Applause.) I do not know how the Club would get on without Mr. Brown, and I think it is not necessary to formally propose and second his re-appointment. (Applause.)
Mr. Brown—I have very much pleasure in carrying on the duties for another year. (Applause.)
The Chairman said the next business was the election of six members of Committee. Messrs. H. W. Slade, A. C. J. Stevens, K.E., and W. H. Russell were away; the remaining members, Messrs. Lowe, Howard, Kew and Goldring were willing to stand again. Other names of candidates which had been mentioned were those of G. B. Macdonald, R.A., W. G. Worcester (P. and O.), E. R. Hallifax, H. W. Looker, C. H. P. Hay and E. D. C. Wolfe. He said later that there was a question which he wished to refer to the members, and that was the advisability or not of re-erecting the grand stand. They knew it had been blown down and that only a few bamboo sticks remained. He thought the stand practically paid its way. Last year the sum of \$177 was obtained from admissions to the stand to view the matches. He was informed that a new stand would cost \$180.
Mr. Clarke thought they should certainly rebuild the stand. There was a number of ladies who always attended the matches, and if they had no place where they could sit and view the games they possibly would not come at all. Then there were other people who wanted some shade when attending as spectators. The stand would not cost much to erect. It was put up two years ago, and if it yielded \$177 last year, which meant \$24 in two years, and only cost \$180, it would certainly pay, besides being a convenience to members and their friends. (Applause.)

THE KOWLOON COLLAPSE.

FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

A STRANGE REQUEST.

At the Magistracy this afternoon, Mr. F. A. Hazell and the jury continued the investigation into the circumstances attending the collapse of Nos. 30 and 32 Kowloon City Road whereby ten persons lost their lives on the 18th July last.

Mr. H. L. Dennis, Acting Crown Solicitor, conducted the case on behalf of the Government, and Mr. H. W. Looker was present in the interests of the architects, Messrs. Leigh and Orange.

The evidence of Mr. A. S. Hooper, taken yesterday, was read over and signed by the witness after which, in reply to Mr. Joseph, he said that approximately \$6,000 dollars worth of material, viz. steel joists, was imported from home for the fifty houses to be erected under the contract. He thought the contractor, after finishing the contract in question, would have been prepared to take another at the same rate.

Mr. Robert Kenneway, civil engineer and architect, partner with Mr. Ora ge, was the next witness. He stated that at the request of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company he prepared plans for 30 houses, 15 on Kowloon Island Lot 1107 and 15 on Kowloon Island Lot 1108. Tenders, ranging between \$56,200 and \$147,000 were received for the building of these houses, that of Loong Cheong being for \$98,000. None of these tenders were accepted as the Land Investment and Agency Company made up their mind to build 20 more houses on Inland Lot 1118. It was ultimately settled with Loong Cheong that he should build the whole of them for the sum of \$143,000. The notice and plans were sent to the Public Works Department in 1901, and on the 16th May the same year an acknowledgment was received, signed by Mr. Tooker, on behalf of the P. W.

Mr. Looker then addressed his Worship, asking that the proceedings should not be published, as he did not think it right or proper that publication should be pursued as the proceedings were carried on to decide if criminal proceedings at the Supreme Court were to be taken.

Mr. Dennis said he was not prepared for this objection, but he knew that the fullest reports of inquiries were published every day and that these were ordinary Police Court proceedings. His Worship had absolute power to forbid publication of proceedings submitted for his trial or made in his Court if he saw fit to do so in the interests of justice. Proceedings such as those were not simply to see if criminal proceedings were to be commenced, but to ascertain the cause of death of the people and to prevent a repetition of such accidents.

Mr. Looker thought it was not quite right that the reports should be published as his Worship was sitting as a coroner. He did not think it right for the proceedings to be published till it was decided if anyone was to be committed for trial.

Mr. Dennis pointed out that the press represented the public in open Court.

Mr. Looker said it was not for the Crown Solicitor to say whether proceedings ought to be published, nor ought he to pass his opinion on the subject.

Mr. Dennis observed that other people were interested in the matter.

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Several questions appertaining to the Building Ordinances and to the houses comprised in the contract were asked by Mr. Dennis.

Mr. Looker submitted that many of them did not refer to the houses that collapsed and were only prolonging the enquiry with a view to prejudicing the jury. He asked his Worship to forbid them.

Mr. Dennis thought they were most necessary, and his Worship agreed with him.

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The hearing was again adjourned.

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 For Amoy—Per *Victoria*, to-day, the 26th instant, at 2 p.m.
 For Canton—Per *Pichan*, to-day, the 26th instant, at 5 p.m.
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 For Kuching and Samsui—Per *Tung-kong*, to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 4 p.m.
 For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Hatching*, to-morrow, the 27th inst., at 5 p.m.
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 For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cocktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Chingta*, on Monday, the 29th instant, at 3 p.m.
 For Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang—Per *Onsang*, on Tuesday, the 30th instant, at 2 p.m.
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 For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Altanen*, on Wednesday, the 3rd Oct., at 11 a.m.
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HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

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Butcher Meat.

	Cents.
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa	16
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	16
" Roast—Shiu	16
" Soup, Tong Yuk	12
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	16
" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Cheong	12
Bullock's brains—Know, per set	45
" Tongue—Ngau Yuk Li	45
" Head—Ngau Yuk Li	45
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" Hump, Salt—Ngau Yuk Li	45
" Feet—Ngau Yuk Li	45
" Kidneys—Ngau Yuk Li	45
" Tail—Ngau Yuk Li	45
" Liver—Ngau Yuk Li	45
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau Yuk Li	45
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau Yuk Li	45
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pak Kwat	22
" Leg—Yeung Pak Kwat	22
" Shoulder—Yeung Pak Kwat	22
Pigs' Chitlings—Chu Cheong	7
" Feet—Chu Cheong	7
" Fry—Chu Cheong	7
" Head—Chu Cheong	7
" Heart—Chu Cheong	7
" Kidneys—Chu Cheong	7
" Liver—Chu Cheong	7
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	18
" Leg—Chu Yuk	18
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yuk	18
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau	50
" Heart—Yeung Tau	50
" Kidneys—Yeung Tau	50
" Liver—Yeung Tau	50
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai	16
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yuk	16
" Mutton—Sang Ngau Yuk	16
" Veal—Sang Ngau Yuk	16
" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Tong	13

Poultry.

	Cents.
Chicken—Kai Chai	20
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai	23
Ducks—Ap	15
Doves—Pan Kau	each
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per 100
Fowls, Canton—Kai Tan	24
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	20
Geese—Nio	18
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi	18
" Nio	18
Musk Deer—Wong Kong	each
Hare—Tu Chai	50
Partridge—Che Koo	50
Phasian—Shan Kai	each
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kuo	each
" Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kuo	each
Quail—Um Chun	43
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk	43
Salp—Sa Chui	each
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	40
" Hen	40
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Subap	pair
Teal, Shanghai, Si Ap Chai	each

Fish.

	Cents.
Barbel—Ka Yu	12
Bream—Bin Yu	11
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Bin Yu	12
Carp—Li Yu	13
Catfish—Chik Yu	13
Codfish—Mun Yu	13
Crabs—Hoi	13
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	13
Dab—Sa Mang Yu	9
Dace—Wong Mei Lun	7
Dog Fish—Tik Yu	7
Eels, Concor—Hoi Mao Yu	14
" Fish water—Tam Sui Yu	11
" Yellow—Wong Sui	16
Frog—Tian Kai	21
Gardys—Sak Pan	14

Fish.

	Cents.
Cudgion—Pak Kuo Yu	11
Herring—Tao Pak	13
Halibut—Cheung Kwai Yu	13
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	14
Loach—Wu Yu	11
Lobsters—Lung Ha	11
Mackerel—Chi Yu	11
Monk Fish—Mon Yu	14
Mullet—Chai Yu	13
Oysters—Sang Hon	12
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu	12
Perch—Tau Loo	12
Pike—Fa Yaw Poong	7
Plaice—Pan Yu	11
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	14
Pomfret, White—Hak Chong	14
Prawns—Ming Ha	21
Rock Fish—Sak Kau Kung	13
Roach—Chun Yu	13
Salmon, (C)ton, fresh water—Ma Yau Yu	18
Shark—Sa Yu	17
Skate—Po Yu	17
Shrimps—Ha	14
Snapper—Lap Yu	15
Soles—Tat Sa Yu	15
Tench—Wan Yu	11
Turbot—Cho How Yu	11
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keok Yu	32
White Bait—Ngan Yu Chai	11

Fruits.

	Cents.
Almond—Hung Yan	20
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping	20
" (Chifoo)—Tin Chun Ping	15
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" Small—Hoi Tong	8
" Cutard—Fan Lai Chi	each
Bananas, Fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng	4
" Heung Chiu	4
" (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu	4
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lut	15
Carambols—Yeung Tou	each
Cocconuts—Yeh Ts	20
Grapes—Sin Tai Ts	8
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	12
Liches, Dried—Lai Chi Con	each
" Fresh, Small stone—Chut Wat	each
" Large—Tai Wat	each
" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li	each
Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Poon	each
" 2nd quality—Chung-tang	each
" Paw-law	12
Peanuts—Fa Sang	10
Persimmons Large—Hung Chie	6
Pumelos, Siam—Chim Lo Yau	10
Walnuts, Hop Tou	10

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ah	
" Chi Chuk	lb
Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Moon Pin	
" Tau	
Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi	
" Pin Tai	
Beans, Sprout—Ah Choi	1
Beans Long—Tau Kok	1
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau	1
Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker	1
Brinjals, Red—Hung Ker	1
Brassica—Pak Choi	3
Bamboo Shoots—Chook Shun	8
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy	4
Cabbage Root—Kai Lan Tau	1
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi	12
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun	1
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi	1
" Fa	1
Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh	1
" Chui-fa	1
Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa	1
Carrots—Kam Shun	18
Celery, Chinese Tong Kan Choy	12
Celery, English—Yeung Kan Choy	12
Celery, White—Pak Yeung Kan Choy	12
Chilies Dried—Con Lat Chiu	15
" Red—Hung Fa	6
" Green—Cheng Lat Chiu	6
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Lee Choi Liu	6
Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa	6
" Tint—Fai Yu Kwa	6
Garlic—Suen Tau	50
" Garlic, young—Chung Keung	50
" Old—Lo Keung	50
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	20
Indian Corn—Suk Ma	3
Lettuce—Yeung Sang Choi	1
Water Chenus—Ma Tai	4
" Mandarin—Kwei Lun Ma Tai	8
Mushrooms Fresh—Yeung Cho Tau	8
" Oustons, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tau	8
" Green—Sang Chung	5
" Shai—Sheung Hoi Chung Tau	5

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